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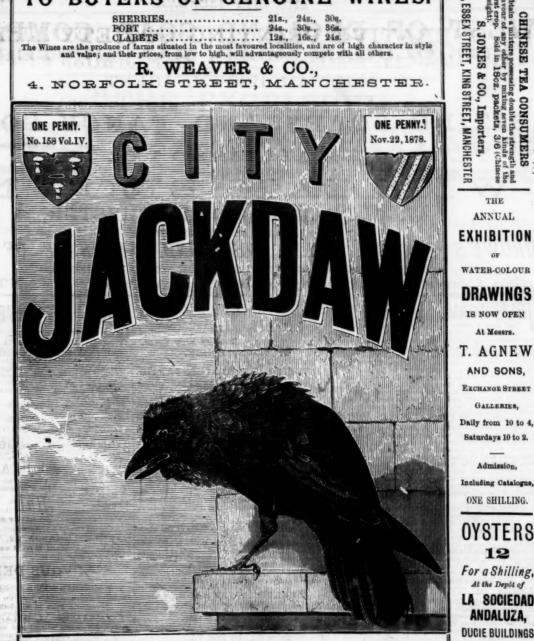
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*Ah! who shall lift that wand of magic power,
And the lost clue regain?
The unfinished window in Aladdin's tower—
Unfinished must remain!'

And thus you see, Matilda," I konkluded, "the fase of Hothorn's fame will look out of that unfinish'd windo for ever." The plastik pour of the poit soon gave serenity to me sister; the klouds began to kleer; and in a fu happy moments Matilda was herself again. She never nu how she was saved from sorro, nor suspeckted the grashus presens of the poit. "Poits me luv," she observed, when she kame to herself, " is the essuns of life to you and me, Joshua; and as vital to our intelligent existuns, as the air we breeth. Let us be thankful for the kommon blessing." After this there was the slite siluns of profitabul refleckshun; and then immediately me eers ware flooded with the harmony of a faverit theme, that Matilda dru out of the organ most delishus. "Ah!" sed I, "it is very tru; we must pla the sweet kees to keep them in tune; and all the musick isn't in the voyce and the instrument." rejoined Matilda, "that has no musick in his soul is only fit for stratagems and spoils." And thus we kontinude for some time, quite lavish with the kompliments, and a muchual desire to pleese. Bi and bi, I sed, "Is there to be no set diskors to nite? And are we to go to bed without a kleer idea of sumthing that has been dun? Let us endevver to give a slite deliverens to the day." Now, when Matilda was appecled to in this fashun so direcktly, she dru herself up into the usual attetude of exalted speech that generally meens she's got sumthing to sa. Thinks I to meself, what will the subject be, and in her questing spirit, where will she venchur to go? Presently, she plung'd into the Gildhall speech of the Erl of Bekkonsfeeld, and got a grip of the smooth stone that this frase maker has flung agenst the fase and forhed of the nashun. "Yes," she exklam'd, "he's a grate maker of frases is is this; and I do not dispise him for that; it is the hidden ambishun of many an orakul, that was born as dum as a dog. Next to the sweet min-

strel that kan sing a servisabul and everlasting song, give me the man that kan make a frase." "Well dun, Matilda," I sed, "your getting into the vane : your marching up the mountan's brow, and the vu begins to But, without heeding me, she kontinude, "Thare are, however, too kinds of frase makers. There is the skeleton from the grave, with neether soul nor body, nor flesh and blood; but his frases will not keep any creechur from the korrupshon of deth. He may be mitey to mar the State; but for good, he kannot mold the minds of men." "I'm inklined to agree with you," I sed, "but what have you got to say of the partikular frase? "That," I remarked, "is the questyun to discuss. Do you refer to the 'harebrained chatter of irresponsible frivolity,' or to the government of the nashuns by sovruns and statesmen?" The fase of me sister was a treet after this interrupshon. Perhaps your seen the tranquil lake lash'd into fury with the skreeming tempest; and its brite waters beklouded by the impending anger of the ski. If you have, it was nothing to the storm that now fround over the otherwise plassid fase of Matilda. "The harebrained chatter," she said, " of irresponsibul frivolity, is not the frase, Joshua; that is but the gaudy frame for a flimsy and feeble carickachure of the truth. 'The government of the world is carried on by sovruns and statesmen.' the frase for a poleeseman's lantern; this is the robber that we detekt in the dark and try to stop at his dangerous bisness with the blasting lite of a bull's i." "Then you think," I inquired, "that sovruns and statesmen do not carry on the government of the world?" "It wud be diffekult, me bruther," she replied, "to say presisely what I think; but we need not mix the sovrups in the mess at all. There is no okkashun for that. And if the wiley Bekkonsfeeld will presume to be konsidered a statesman, he need not insinuate his dangerus fingers into the arm of the unsuspeckting and grashus Queen. There's no linked sweetness in that, Joshua, if we look at the operashun in its proper lite. English statesmen, that smile on the page of history, have not, by selfish arts, made it a study to assoseate there names with the kleer and imparsheal dignite of the Crown; it has ever been there delite to preserve for the monnork the lonely splendur of the poit. But it is reserved for Bekkonsfeeld to outrage the patreotick and sensibul eers of the land by this dredfully diskordant note; and every man is wateing most anxshus to heer the better musick." And I think me sister wud have gone on in this strane at grate length, for her vuse is strong on the prerogative of the peeple; that, in her opinyun, is quite as preshus, and, if anything, rather more so, than the perogative of the Crown. So, I sed, "Then what of the statesmen, Matilda?" "O, those," she replide, "will always be scarse; and thay rise from the royalty of the ranks. These and the peeple rule together, and the shoulders of the land is underneeth the throne. Supream wisdum is not konfined to any Kabinet, and the brite design of the best statesman is generally but a good grope in the dark. For that matter, the grate wheel of progress will go round, Joshua, with or without the fly." I laffed at this; but she went on to the konklushun. "O, Joshua," she sed, "some of the best sisterns is broke, and many of the grate men of the kuntry are going down the hill; and alreddy the long shaddo is falling akross the grave. But never mind, me bruther, the tressurs of the kingdum are in the kare of the king; he will keep our brite things brite, and even if we shall have to buy our cheefest preest, there will spring from his sakred and awful dust a blooming garden of God, and many a pessing yuth will ponder and linger thare."

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SUFFERING SHEFFIELD.

C HEFFIELD was the first great town to support Beaconsfield and his Jingoism; and Sheffield is the first great town in England to feel the pinch of the privation and the poverty which have been largely, perhaps principally, caused by the Premier's policy. The following lines, taken from the Independent, plead the cause of the starving thousands :-

Awake! awake! Sheffield, awake! Distress is at your door : Arouse yourselves, for pity's sake, To help your starving poor.

Awake! awake! list to the wail Of winter drawing nigh, Half-clothed, ill-fed, the young, the frail, Of cold must surely die

Awake, the men who make your wealth, Your pity now implore, Sickness is creeping in by stealth, Low fever lies in store.

Awake, ye men who've gold to spare, Widely your purse strings pull; Think of poor homes all cold and bare, While yours are warm and full.

Awake, ye wealthy ladies, too, In furs and woollens dressed; Think what the shivering poor must do Of nothing warm possessed.

Awake, young men who smoke and play, Who every pleasure taste; Think how your fellows day by day, In cold and hunger waste.

Awake, young girls who dwell at home, Well housed, well clothed, well fed; Think of your sisters who must roam The streets, for daily bread.

Wake, housewife, turn your blankets o'er, Your sheets and counterpanes; Can you spare naught of all your store— Of all that chest contains

Wake, mother of a merry brood, Whose clothes wear out so fast, Look through these in a generous mood, Turn out what's worn and past.

Wake, childless wife, turn o'er those heaps Of long past baby things; More blessed she who gives than keeps, Although the parting stings.

Wake, one and all, while yet there's time, Ere infant spirits fly; Ere women fall down in their prime, Ere men despairing die.

MISTAKES WILL OCCUR.

HAT'S in a name? Sometimes there is much in it. For example, Joe Murphy, the famous Irish comedian, was to appear in a small town near Pitsburgh one night. As the train steamed into the depôt it was boarded by half-a-dozen men, who, after a hurried conference with the conductor, approached the comedian with beaming faces. "Mr. Murphy, I believe?" said the spokesman, hat in hand. "At your service, sir," replied Joe. "Delighted to meet you, sir. We are the committee appointed to take you in charge," and they dragged the astonished Joe from the car, placed him in a carriage, and they were whirled swiftly away. "God bless us," thought the exponent of Irish peculiarities. "This is very kind. Never was in this town before. A man's reputation does travel, and that's a fact." In a short time they reached the hotel, and the committee having placed Joe in the best parlour suite, prepared to depart. "We will call for you after supper, Mr. Murphy," said the spokesman. "One moment, gentlemen," cried Joseph, as he pulled the bell-cord vigorously, "Waiter, drinks for the party." "Drinks!" shricked the conclave in a chorus. "Mr. Murphy, are you mad?" "Mad?" echoed Joe, "not a bit of it. Name your beverages, gentlemen." "Oh, this is terrible backsliding," said one, "Francis Murphy ordering drinks!" "Francis Murphy?" repeated the perplexed Joe. "I'm Joe Murphy, the comedian." They saw it all, and wildly rushed from the room in search of the temperance apostle, who was even then toiling painfully from the depôt on foot, "totting" a huge carpet bag. Both of the Murphys drew large audiences that night.

A BASE, BAD MAN.

R. CHARLES PEACE, alias Mr. John Ward, describes himself as pass before the public as an ill-used person. At the Old Bailey, on Tuesday, he was tried for committing burglaries at Blackheath, and for firing a revolver at a policeman with intent to murder him. He pleaded not guilty, but the jury found him guilty. When asked whether he had anything to say, Mr. Peace, alias Mr. Ward, with tears in his eyes, spoke as follows (and we reproduce his speech partly because the local daily papers have missed it):-"I have this to say, that I am not being fairly dealt with. As to the policeman, I had no intention to hurt him, as I told them all at the station. They well knew at the time that I had no intention to hurt him, but to frighten him that I might get away. That was my sole intention. I had none more. This they now deny. They say I did not say so. Only one policeman speaks the truth, and he says that I really did say so. Now, my lord, if I had had any intention whatever to have hurt the man I could really have done so. They have further committed a great falsehood by saying I fired five times at him. I did not. I fired four times, and if you, my lord, will not as it were feel prejudiced against me, I will tell you how I can prove that I only fired four times. I did not intend to hurt that man. I did not intend to hit him, and, according to the evidence, he really had hold of my arm at the time the pistol went off. If you will do me the justice to see and pull the trigger of that pistol you will find the hammer falls and rises very easily indeed; and in the struggle, after I was hit by the policeman, the pistol went off without my knowledge, and so hit the policeman in the arm. But I myself had no intention to do him any bodily harm. Were it not for introducing other things into the court connected with this case, I could prove that I really did not load the pistol. It was loaded before I really got it. I hope, my lord, you will have mercy upon me. I know that I am base and bad. Nay, I feel that I am that base and bad, that I am neither fit to live nor die. I have disgraced myself. I have disgraced my friends, and I am not fit to live among mankind. I am not fit to meet my God, for I am not prepared to do so. So, oh my lord, I know I am base and bad to the uttermost, but I know, at the same time, they have painted my case blacker than what it really is. I hope you will take all this into consideration, and not pass upon me a sentence of imprisonment which will be the means of causing me to die in prison, where it is very possible I shall not have a chance amongst my associates to prepare myself to meet my God that I hope I shall meet. So, my lord, do have mercy upon me. I beseech you, give me a chance, my lord, to regain my freedom, and you shall not, with the help of my God, have any cause to repent passing a merciful sentence upon me. Oh, my lord, you yourself do expect mercy from the hands of your great and merciful God. Oh, my lord, do have mercy upon me, a most wretched, miserable man-a man that is not fit to die. I am not fit to live; but with the help of my God I will try to become a good man. I will try to become a man that will be able in the last day to meet my God, my Great Judge, to meet him and to receive the great reward at His hands for my true repentance. So, oh, my lord, have mercy upon me, I pray and beseech you. I will say no more; but, oh, my lord, have mercy upon me; my lord, have mercy upon me!" Very good! Nevertheless, Mr. Justice Hawkins sentenced him to penal servitude for life. More than that, he is wanted by the police of Sheffield for murdering Mr. Dyson, a civil engineer, two years ago. This base, bad man may have to shake hands with Marwood yet. Like many others, he likes to sin, but he does not like to suffer for his sins. His case constitutes a warning for those whom it may concern.

Mr. Meller, member for Ashton-under-Lyne, is independent enough, although a Conservative, to pitch into the foreign policy of the Government. He had also some plain things to say about the cotton trade in his recent address. He denied that the removal of the five per cent duty would materially affect our trade with India, and said that what prevented our cotton cloth going to India was the rascality that was practised at Blackburn and elsewhere. He read the other day a case which came before the judge of the Rochdale county court. Instead of the cloth being adulterated with 46 or 47 per cent of China clay, which had always been considered to be the maximum, it was adulterated to the extent of 200 per cent. Other nations were beating us because their factories turned out honester goods; and, unless we began to practise what we preached, the outlook for England was simply deplorable.

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TRUE MANHOOD.

[BY W. C. C.]

OW I honour the man who to friend or foe Ever holds out a helping hand, And who with a calm and unflinching eye In the face of the world can stand

But I hate that grasping sordid mind Who thinks but of greed and gain— His life is unmark'd by a kindly deed, And his heart is dead to shame

What the' the form may be poorly clad, And the hand embrown'd by toil, There is truth in the ring of a happy voice, There is light in a pleasant smile

Tho' the lid of the casket be brilliantly set With jewels, both precious and rare, We know that the pearl in its deep ocean bed Is an emblem of purity fair.

The lovliest of flow'rets may often be found Far away in the deep forest glade, And amidst the deep silence how sweetly they bloom, Where a rose of the garden would fade.

Then think not a man has a nobler heart, Tho' surrounded by riches untold, For a book with a cover that's olden and worn, Will oft a good story unfold.

'Tis brave kindly deeds that betoken the mind. Fair words—ah, too often are spoken—
But 'tis deeds, and not words, that will comfort the soul,
And heal the sad heart well-nigh broken,

Then think of the blessings so graciously given, All feelings of selfishness smother, Give a word, a bright smile, and a helping hand, To your wayworn and poor needy brother.

ENGLAND'S DICTATOR.

NQUESTIONABLY, the Cabinet is nothing; Lord Beaconsfield is everything. The London correspondent of an "Independent" journal says this:- " Some people insist that Lord Beaconsfield and not Lord Cranbrook personally directs the policy of the Indian Govern-There is some truth in the belief, for it is beyond doubt that for the last few weeks the officials in charge of the library at the India Office have been, to use the words of one of them, 'tortured out of existence by demands from the Premier's secretary for all sorts of forgotten reports, documents, and books about Afghanistan. The library archives have been turned upside down-half-a-dozen times a day Mr. Corry demands some fresh document which has not seen the light of day for a quarter of a century or so. Another fact which throws some light on affairs may be found in the frequent meetings of the Financial Committee at the India Office. Constant communication is going on on the subject of Ways and Means, and there is now no doubt that the Government in India has finally declared that India cannot bear all the expense of a new When Lord Beaconsfield alluded to the former Governors-General who had considered the Afghan Question, he was speaking from information of a quarter of a century ago. He is evidently going in for precedents." Yes; Lord Beaconsfield is going in for a good deal. Those who live longest will see and know most. We don't regret that Liberal members are beginning to speak their minds about this man-Mr. Jacob Bright says that, if the Cabinet drag us into war with Afghanistan, the several members of it will be worse murderers than the men we hang-worse, for example, than James M'Gowan who was hanged here this week. Mr. Blake, M.P. for Leominster, was not far off the mark when he declared that the greatest troubler of England and of Europe was Lord Beaconsfield. He abused the prerogative of the Crown and ignored Parliament; he favoured despotism, restrained liberty, broke European law by secret treaties, duplicity, and double-dealing; sacrificed national honour, deseived Turkey, betrayed Greece, insulted friendly Powers, stimulated a war feeling, squandered revenue, increased taxation, depressed trade, upheld ecclesiastical intolerance, and opposed all popular reforms. To prevent further national disaster, the country should petition the Queen for his instant dismissal, and, if necessary, for a new

ADVICE TO THE "WORLD."

F a surety history does more than repeat itself. As a faint instance of this let us call the attention of a certain "Society Journal" to the following synopsis, of what Mr. H. J. Byron would, perhaps, term a "Farcical Comedy," presented to the public in 1521, and thus noticed in "Bibliothèque du Théâtre François: "-" The actors come ou the stage with their fool's-caps, each wanting the right ear, and begin with stringing satirical proverbs, till, after drinking freely, they discover that their fool's-caps want the right ear. They call on their grandmother "Sottie" (or Folly), who advises them to take up some trade. She introduces this progeny of her fools to the World, who takes them into his service. The World tries their skill, and is much displeased with their work. They all agree that the World does not know what he wants, and he must be sick, and prevail upon him to get some advice from a physician. The doctor pronounces that 'the World is as mad as a March hare.' The World replies, 'That what most troubles his head is the idea of a new deluge by fire, which must one day consume him to a powder,' on which the physician gives this answer: -

'And you really trouble yourself about this? Oh World! you do not trouble yourself about Seeing those impudent rascals Buying and selling livings.

Minding their own interests, and seizing On what belongs to another, Lending their ears to flatterers, Making war, exterminating war, For a babble, among Christians.

The World takes leave of his physician, but retains his advice; and gives himself up entirely to the direction of his fools. In a word, the World dresses himself up in the coat and cap of Folly, and he becomes as gay and ridiculous as the rest of the fools."

In this case it will be observed that the World is afraid of a deluge of fire which will consume him to a powder. Unless the modern prototype, and a certain local weekly which is endeavotiring to emulate its London model, shortly mend their manners, they are likely to meet with a deluge of fists and horsewhips which may produce a similar result.

WITH MY PORTRAIT.

[BY MIRIAM.]

M Y portrait I send, To a dearly-loved friend, And hope she will deign to accept it; There is this thought to cheer, That I shall not be near, To hear what is said when she gets it.

No finely cut brow, And profile, ah, no,

To excite e'en a faint exclamation,
But this one thing I know, She is sure to bestow Upon it a just commendation.

If beauty were there, I'm sure she'd not spare Her praises, and fond admiration; She will aye speak the truth (Which is better, forsooth,) Of its merit, or sad imperfection. Then I venture to send To my much-valued friend My shadow, with this expectation, That I get in its place Her beautiful fa To quiz, with gratification.

BUTCHERS, what are you about? "A Farmer," writing to the Times, says :-- " The importation of American cattle, coupled with the lessene d demand in the manufacturing districts, has caused a serious fall in the price of fat bullocks during the last three months, but so far as I know the butchers have made no reduction in the price of beef. If we are to be outdone by America with regard to meat as well as wheat, pray let consumer reap the benefit in the one case as in the other. A reduction of one penny per pound should be at once asked for." Our good friends the butchers have a nice little game on at present. How long is the public to put up with their exorbitant charges?



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WHAT FOLKS ARE SAYING.

HAT the Rev. Mr. Macdonna, Rector of Cheadle, did his duty nobly on board the "Sarmatian."

That he dined with the Marquis of Lorne, and presented the Princess Louise with a St. Bernard puppy.

That on Sunday last Mr. Macdonna preached a princely sermon from the words, "Is thy servant a dog?"

That, although he got excited, it was evident that his bark was worse than his bite.

That the Liberal candidates for Salford have fairly embarked on their enterprise.

That the Tories don't like the looks of B. A. and A. A.

That C. is also feeling a little shaky.

That both Mr. Armitage and Mr. Arnold are speaking remarkably well.

That a few week-kneed Liberals—there are such creatures in Salford—are beginning to expect them to win, after all.

That Mr. Armitage shows by his speeches that he will be of great service in dealing with commercial questions in Parliament.

That if Mr. Arnold goes on speaking as he has commenced Salford should not remain in a state of political darkness much longer.

That Canon Bardsley and "Promotion by Merit" are having a nice time of it.

That "Promotion by Merit" said the living of Taxal was offered to Canon Bardsley because he was an infirm old man.

That he said, moreover, that Canon Bardsley, who declined it, recommended the Rev. Mr. Whitworth because he was a very infirm old man.

That Canon Bardsley cannot contradict a single one of "Promotion by Merit's" statements, but he pleads that it is too bad to be so severe with two good old meu.

That "Promotion by Merit" had nothing to do with the men—he spared them as much as possible—but when venerable, reverend gentlemen lend themselves to such disgraceful practices as the buying and selling of souls they must not whine too much when the thong of the critic comes

That it will be a long time before Canen Bardsley again enters the arena with "Promotion by Merit."

That the revelations re Heugh, Balfour, and Co., are simply astounding. That Mr. John Heugh was well known as a philanthropist.

That it was easy to be benevolent and open-handed in the disposal of other people's money.

That in Mr. John Heugh's separate estate £34,000 is put down for the expense of the orphanage and charities.

That Mr. Duncan Matheson graphically said at the meeting that "this munificent charity of an insolvent estate appeared to him ghastly in the light of the present revelations."

That it is well to be just before we are generous.

That we are now in for war with Afghanistan.

That Lord Lawrence, Lord Northbrook, and other great authorities have written and protested all in vain.

That men have been impeached before now in connection with India.

That somebody will probably be impeached before this affair is brought to a close.

That to begin a great war is easy, but to end it is not so simple.

That already we hear of bloodless victories.

That in a few days we may expect to hear of sanguinary encounters.

The we unfortunate ratepayers will have some nice bills to settle next year.

That my Lord Ecaconsfield thinks he has made us a handsome Christmas present in the shape of this Afghan War.

That he has refused to receive a deputation consisting of men like the Duke of Westminster and Lord Lawrence, but he didn't decline to receive and to thank the tap-room Jingoes of London some time ago.

That Mr. Henry Irving and Mr. J. L. Toole have done a handsome thing in Scotland.

That they themselves gave entertainments in Edinburgh and Glasgow on behalf of the ruined bank shareholders.

That they realised £350 in Edinburgh alone.

That even "actors," it seems, can do generous deeds at times.

That the "voice of sense and truth," which spoke on the 9th of November, and was to set everything right, does not appear to have had so very much effect, after all.

That fogs—both physical and political—are still the order of the day.

That we don't know whether the atmospheric or the international fog is the worse.

That the Races have been a glorious success this week.

That the secret of this was-that nobody could see them for the fog.

That it was the same on Monday when James Mc.Gowan was hung, the reporters, though standing within a few yards of the gallows, being unable to see either the executioner or the convict.

A JACKDAW'S FREAK.

JACKDAW of Evesham, bent on brimstone business, amused himself the other day by striking lights with "lucifer" matches—in which process a local authority says he used his beak. As a result, the fire communicating with the bed clothes, a conflagration of a serious character followed, the bed, sheeting, bolster, pillows, and even the wooden bedstead being partially consumed before the fire could be extinguished. The neighbourhood, which is one of confined area, narrowly escaped demolition, and the inhabitants were greatly seared by the result of the mischievous pranks of this descendant of the famous bird of Rheims, who lives notwithstanding, owing to the merciful consideration of the owner, to "fight" or fire "another day." Our City Jackdaw don't like anything fiery. He fights shy of our P. D. because he has a red head.

PRINCE'S THEATRE.—At the Prince's on Monday night was produced a very nonsensical farce in three acts, by Mr. H. J. Byron, entitled *Uncls*. On the merits of the play we are content to reserve our opinion. Some of the audience laughed and cheered, so we must presume the piece was enjoyable.

Keith's Cincus.—This popular place of amusement continues to find favour with a large section of circus-going people, thus demonstrating that the spirited policy adopted by Mr. Keith is meeting with the success that it so deservedly merits. The programme for the present week includes many well-known artistes, notably Ohmy, the "daring gymnast;" Mr. John Concklin, "America's strongest man;" Mr. George Gilbert, the accomplished equestrian; and Charlie Keith, whose name alone is a sufficient guarantee for a night's amusement.

MR. ALDERMAN PARNELL THE BLACKPOOL ORATOR.

RELAND can boast of a Parnell; so can Blackpool. The Irish Parnell is a genius in his way; and the Blackpool Parnell is also a genius in his way. There are several extraordinary men in Blackpool; but we believe that Mr. Alderman Parnell is about the most extraordinary man of the lot. Always equal to any and every occasion, Mr. Alderman Parnell, of Blackpool, has been distinguishing himself in an especial manner lately. He is the proud possessor of many great gifts, but the greatest of these is oratory (?) Speaking at a Conservative meeting, a few days ago, he told us something for which we tender him our sincerest thanks. "Before leaving"-these were his weighty and welcome words-"before leaving, he wished to be allowed to say that he had been connected with one of the largest elections that had ever taken place in the county of Lancashire. He was the principal party that formed the machinery that broke down the Newall Buildings' organisation, and that put down Bright and Milner Gibson at the election for Manchester in 1857. Manchester was then in a state of shame and slavery through the dictation of the Liberal party. He was the means given by Providence to deliver Manchester from this slavery, and he might say that Sir John Potter had a majority of 3,320 over either Gibson or Bright-such a victory as was never known before. He wished to show them that he was true blue, and that there was no nonsense with him. The time had come when every man must take a side, and he had long since taken his side. About three days before the election to which he had been referring, he happened to meet a gentleman in Corporation Street, Manchester, and he asked him how the election would go, when the gentleman replied, 'You will beat us this time. If Bright or Gibson could be got in I would freely give £2,000." So, you see, we find quite a great man in Mr. Alderman Parnell, of Blackpool. It was he whom a merciful Providence raised up to eject Bright and Gibson from Manchester. He was the David of Toryism who slew the Goliath of Liberalism in this wicked City one and twenty years ago. We knew that many noble and heroic men were mixed up in that momentous work; but we know now that Mr. Alderman Parnell, of Blackpool, was the wisest and the bravest of them all. Such a man is worth knowing; such a man merits the highest honour.

According to the report in last week's Blackpool Herald, however, Mr. Alderman Parnell shines to greatest advantage as an orator in the Council Chamber. Being a prudent and much-respected gentleman, it fell to his lot to propose the re-election of Mr. Cocker as Mayor of Blackpool, and the speech of which he managed to deliver himself on the occasion deserves to be printed in letters of gold. Failing the letters of gold, the next best compliment which can be paid to the speaker is to reproduce the speech in the columns of the City Jackdaw, whose readers have read many funny things in their time, but never anything funnier than this. This was the brilliant style in which Mr. Alderman Parnell acquitted himself: "Out of doors," he observed, "it had been said that there were few orators in the Council. (Laughter.) That was not quite true, for he believed there was a good stock of orators in the Council. (Hear, hear.) On the old Local Board nearly all the nine members were orators. One day one of those orators came to the Board, having just before been in company with John Barleycorn. (Laughter.) Unthinkingly, another member had seated himself in this member's chair, and the rather elevated member cried out, 'What's thee dewing there; get eawt o' that cheer, wilt thee.' The member who had trespassed was astonished, but did not move, when his accuser went on, 'Wilt thee get eawt; if thee dussen't get eawt I'll walk thee eawt.' (Laughter.) They did not want any oratory such as that in the Council. (Hear, hear.) He had known Mr. Cocker for ten years, and had never seen him come to a meeting forward in liquour; never. (Oh, oh.) He didn't know what he did outside. (Laughter.) The Mayor could please himself what he did outside. (Renewed laughter.) It also showed the Mayor's good sense that he had never brought a dog into the Council Chamber. [A dog was crouching under the table at the time.] The Mayor was more respectful to the Council than that, and he wished he could say the same of everyone in the room. (Hear, hear, and laughter.) Several times lately he had seen great dogs brought into the room-snoring and sniffling and sweating under the table-and that was disgraceful. (A voice : Put out the dog !) It should have never come in, and he (Mr. Parnell) hoped it would never be seen in again. (Hear, hear.) And if it did he hoped the Mayor would put it out. (Laughter.) He was sure they were all glad to find the Mayor in good health. Mr. Cocker was in the

prime of life, only forty-two years of age, and if he lived Blackpool would have him for Mayor many a year yet. (Applause, and hear, hear.) He trusted Mr. Cocker would live long to occupy the position of Mayor, for he had been of lasting service to Blackpool. (Hear, hear.) In the order of Providence it had been a kind act that such a man should be brought into existence at such at time. (Applause.)" It is needless to add that after the expenditure of all this eloquence Mr. Cocker was once more re-elected Mayor.

When we think of all that Mr. Alderman Parnell has done for Manchester, and of all that he is doing for Blackpool, we cannot repress the regret that he is no more amongst us. Yet Manchester's loss is Blackpool's gain. Kind as Providence may be, both Manchester and Blackpool could not reasonably expect to have a Mr. Alderman Parnell at one and the same time. No; that would be expecting, asking, too much. While we weep with Manchester we rejoice with Blackpool. Let us hope that the good people of the flourishing, if not fashionable, resort are fully alive to the claims which this wonderful man has upon their respect and regard. He should be treated tenderly; he should be handled kindly; he should be applauded heartily; he should eat and drink generously; he should be reported faithfully and fully—for, once he is gone, Blackpool will never* look upon his like again.

BENNY-FICIAL ADVICE.

AY the public to Ben—"'Tis beyond our best ken
That so confident still you appear;
Whilst we are all doubting the truth of your spouting."
Replies Ben—"Then you see it is clear
With incongraous questions,
And awkward suggestions,
That you really should not interfere."

Says the same voice again to immaculate Ben—
"You've abused your position we fear,
By tricks and duplicity, shirking publicity."
Replies Ben—"Then you see it is clear
That with imprudent questions,
Detracting suggestions,
You really should not interfere."

Says the same voice again to self-confident Ben—
"O'er our liberties you domineer;
Not half of your capers get into the papers."
Replies Ben—"Then you see it is clear
That with damaging questions,
And useless suggestions,
You really should not interfere."

Says the same voice again to imperative Ben"At our good constitution you jeer;
And prerogatives use, or rather abuse——"
Replies Ben—" Then you see it is clear
That with troublesome questions,
Unfriendly suggestions,
You really should not interfere."

Says the same voice again to grandiloquent Ben—
"At our national honour you sneer;
Yon've betrayed and insulted the Powers we've consulted."
Replies Ben—"Then you see it is clear
That in all foreign questions,
When we make suggestions,
Other nations should not interfere."

Says the same voice again to financier Ben—
"You've rendered our living so dear
With taxes increased by some millions at least——"
Replies Ben—" Then you see it is clear
That with financial questions,
Or saving suggestions,
You really should not interfere."

And the voice exclaimed then to contumacious Ben—
"It is time to curtail your career;
If we cannot advise you 'tis time to surprise you,
So you'll soon from the helm disappear;
For with momentous questions,
And pointed suggestious,
You'll find that we can interfere."

^{*} Our meddlesome and malicious Printer's Devil wished to insert the words "want to" here; but we kicked the wretch well for his wantonness and wilfniness.

-Ed. City Jackdaw.

"MOOR" GAME AND "POOR" GAME.

I HAT a sensation of self-importance must pervade the bosoms of the inferi-no, I beg their pardons, the superior animals which are classed under the common head of "Game!" What a conscious pleasure they must feel in the knowledge that their happiness and well-being are far more effectually cared for and assured than that of the poor waif, who, cast out from the society of his fellow-man, utterly unable to earn or borrow, and strictly forbidden to beg or steal, is compelled to starve out a miserable existence, and expected to be thankful withal for the precious boon of life; totally unnoticed by the outre assumption of psuedo-philanthropy which make long speeches, eats large public dinners, presides at expensive banquets, and-starves the poor; unpitied by wealth and prosperity, and wholly uncared for by legislative wisdom, whilst the more favoured animals are as surely guarded by the legislative wisdom aforesaid as if they were surrounded by massive walls and towers of strength, protected in their fastnesses from the invasion of the unprivileged, enjoying their freedom, unburdened by taxation, and unaffected either by the high prices of food, the curse of bad government, or the scarcity of

These reflections are caused by the appearance of a placard of "Mammoth" size upon our ornamental bill-posting stations, which announces the sale by auction at the Mitre Hotel (of City Council notoriety) on Tuesday, November 19th, of the following valuable properties:—

1. The sole right of shooting over 331 acres 1 rood 5 perches.

One half-share in the right of shooting over 792 acres 3 roods 37 perches.

 The twenty-seventy-fourth share in the right of shooting over 32 acres 1 rood 5 perches.

4. The sole right of shooting over 1 rood 80 perches.

The whole comprising about 1,160 acres of valuable moorland, situated in the neighbourhood of Saddleworth, and on the Yorkshire border.

Now, one may easily understand that at the aristocratic resorts of Hurlingham or Monaco, there are certain boundaries fixed, and that a oor "winged" victim, falling outside that fixed line, is honoured with the epithet of "no bird," notwithstanding the ornithological fact to the contrary; but what a complication of opinion may be expected from the fall of a poor grouse on the Saddleworth moors, where the boundary lines are so intricate as to be measured in seventy-fourths! There may be a " special providence in the fall of a sparrow," but what Hamlet, past or present, can determine the extent of that special providence in the fall of a bird or the death of a stricken have within the entangled Rights of Shooting which are to be bought and sold at the Mitre Hotel on Tuesday? It is easy to determine that if the purchaser of lot No. 1 should accidentally shoot a hare (I say accidentally advisedly, because guns accidentally discharged invariably hit something, whereas taking aim with some sportsmen is almost certain to result in a failure), and the shot takes fatal effect within the boundary of his own right, it becomes the prize of his own skill, but how if such animal escapes his auxious grasp, by being only disabled, and manages to breathe his last in lot No. 2? does it then become necessary to divide it into halves in order to earich the tables of the relative sessors of the dual rights in that portion of the moorland? Or, if the half-owner of a poor mooreock in lot No. 2 should choose to shoot his half of the bird, and the living half (which he has no right to shoot) should fly away with the half he has killed into lot No. 3, then only fancy what a number of sub-divisions it would be necessary to divide the dead halfbird into, in order to determine what part of it belonged to the original shooter in No. 2, and what portion should be appropriated to the proprietors of No. 3, who measure their ownerships by seventy-fourths! The thing is really almost beyond all human conception. Or, perhaps, a wounded hare may limp on its miserable existence through every one of the four lots, when the result would be that-

The owner of No. 1 would have a claim to the whole animal.

The owners of No. 2 would divide it into two halves.

The owners of No. 3 would cut each half into seventy-four parts.

And the owner of No. 4 would claim the whole again.

Fancy what an intricate lawsuit might be raised out of a poor hare, which might exclaim with poor Arthur of Brittany:---

"I am not worth the coil that's made for me."

But to leave all these embarrassing suppositions, and come to a more feasible one. Suppose the whole of the 1,160 acres of valuable moorland

were subjected to the healthy influence of the spade and the plough, in small holdings, instead of being sold in fancy rights of shooting, for the purpose of affording a few days questionable amusement in each year to the privileged few who sacrifice their fellow-mortal for bird and beast, what an amount of privation and suffering would be removed from the homes of those whose-best energies lie dormant through want of natural sustenance. Blessed in future ages will be those pioneers who first put their shoulders to that good work which will one day finally drive the wolf from the national door, and exterminate pauperism in the land, for in that, and that only, lies the answer to the most important question of the day—"What shall we do with our poor?"

THE LAY OF HOME RULE.

CH! Oliveland's harp is still, That sint the pathriot thrill

Into ivery sacred corner av our darlin' Imerald Oisle;
But we've still got champions bould,
To shield us from the cowld,
And stony-hearted Saxon, that would Erin's sons beguile!

Though the "Peep o' day" toime's o'er,
And the Whiteboys are no more,
We still can foind descindants of those warriors good and thrue.
Let the Saxon whoine and growl,
As he hears the dhreadful how!
That tells av Oireland's greatness in the sound av its shalloo!

Though we cannot boast an Emmett
To brave the shtorm or shtem it;
And though Smith O'Brien, and Mitchell bould, are numbered
with the dead;

Though O'Connell's breathed his last, And brave Meagher's day has passed, We've still an Home Rule faction, with pathriots at the head.

Though Butt has coward turned,
And Oireland's wilfare spurned,
He'll foind that we have still a chief to face the counthry's foes;
Whose voice we can rely on,
To tame the British Lion,
Though they serve him like O'Brien, that they "hit upon the nose!"

Let the Saxon go to war
With the moighty Russian Czar,
And we'll calmly shtand and see the British Impire shwept away;
But let them grant Home Rule,
To the land of Fin Mc.Coul,
And to save them from desthruction we'll march across the say!

Then shout for Parnell bould,
Whose heroic voice has howled
In obstruction's thunder o'er the heads of ivery Saxon tool;
Och hone! and hubbabboo!
And likewise phillalloo!
May Oireland niver weep around the carcase of Home Rule!

It seems that a man may be married without knowing it in the United States as well as in Scotland. Mr. David Swengel, of Chicago, stoutly denies that he has any better half; but a lady, on the other hand, just as strongly asserts that she is Mrs. David Swengel. It is admitted on both sides that they were lovers, and she says that they were engaged, which he denies. She strongly urged him to marry her, but he persistently refused, and she therefore, as a last resource, called in her pastor, the Rev. Dr. Evarts, to expostulate with him. A painful scene ensued. The clergyman strongly recommended marriage. Swengel declared that he had nover promised such a thing, while the women present wept hysterically. At last there came a climax. The lady fainted, and Swengel, who was standing by her side, caught her in his arms, merely, as he asserts, to The clergyman, who had been watching his prevent her from falling. opportunity, hastily joined their hands, and sald, " By this junction of your right hands, you recognise your choice and, in the name of God, I pronounce the ceremony." There were no responses, nor was there any further ceremony of any description, but Dr. Evarts made the usual official record. The couple have never lived together, and Swengel declines to admit that he is a married man. Lawyers are now settling the question and devouring all Mr. and Mrs. Swengel's savings.

BISHOP FRASER AND THE "CITY JACKDAW."

OUR Lordship, we thank you! The Bishop, speaking at a meeting in Stockport Mechanics' Institution, on Saturday night, took occasion to give a bit of excellent advice to his audience. He said that "the other day he got a letter from a worthy gentleman in Stockport—he d.d not like to mention names-in which he expressed a hope that he would call attention to certain practices at the municipal elections, which the writer did not think tended to the credit of the town. He (the Bishop) did not know Stockport well enough, and no doubt it would be offensive if he were to intrude any remarks of his own; but if they should have any further curiosity on the subject he might perhaps be allowed to mention that in a little skittish paper in Manchester-he meant the City Jackdaw, of last Friday-there was a column and a half devoted to Stockport, which might perhaps be read to advantage by the present mayor and future mayors, and by the aldermen, town councillors, and burgesses of the borough of Stockport." Now, in this we quite agree with His Lordship. Moreover, we have got it into our head-birds as well as men do get strange notions into their heads now and then-that a good many more persons than the authorities of Stockport would be much the better of a good dose of the City Jackdaw weekly.

A NEW MODE OF ADVERTISING.

E have in our time come across some queer dodges on the part of people who want to get their advertisements inserted gratuitously, but for unblushing effrontery commend us to the following, with which we were "honoured" the other day :-

GENTLEMEN,

Would you like to insert the above Advertisement

Free of Charge?

I would allow you half my profits on any orders received
through the Advertisement or through you. You may be
acquainted with Firms. I will send Samples, &c., to you if
you wish.

Yours truly,

We don't care to avail ourselves of the above brilliant offer. Should any of our contemporaries care to try their hands, full particulars will be afforded on applying at our office.

BEFORE THE PLAY.

H! Cara Mia, well you know The joyous hours we spent together, Where by the river softly blow The tender winds of sunny weather. There once in anguished mood I told My love for you, nor told it rashly, What time the sun enshrined in gold, Sank sweetly o'er the meads of Ashley.

There was it as times would permit,
Or I to work was far too lazy,
And needed change to spur my wit,
We gathered flowers, from rose to daisy.
Or lounging 'neath the spreading trees
(To tell the truth I'm fond of that more
Than walking), we would, at our ease,
Quote Browning, Tennyson, or Patmore.

Yet, after all, the modest bard Fails to discover any reason Why we should hold it very hard That faded is the summer season. The winter boasts joys quite its own— Nor heat which makes one tired and restive; Resplendent soon, on snowy throne,
Shall Christmas reign with revels festive.

Ere which there comes a round of fun, Obedient to our fond desiring— Mr. and Mrs. Billington,

The Kendals, who are never tiring; With Puss in Boots and Yellow Dwarf-Double event which quite convinces, That Thompson wont do things by half At the T. R. or at the Prince's.

So sigh no more, my lady fair, For meadows green or skies uncertain, Scenes quite as bright, and far more rare, We'll find behind the rising curtain. But, come, nor give me cause to say You linger till the latest minute; Whene'er you go to see the play, Always get there ere they begin it.

MARWOOD THE HANGMAN.

ARWOOD is a staunch supported of the Constitution. Without him and his rope, indeed, the Constitution, as many believe, could not and his rope, indeed, the Constitution, as many believe, could not be held together long. While many trades are so dull, that of Marwood (a London correspondent justly observes) is painfully brisk and flourishing. He is a man who loses no time about his business. He is generally out of the prison precincts within half-an-hour of the execution taking place. He is so much in request that executions are actually being postponed for him, and the wretched in the condemned cells are ompelled to linger in their misery some days beyond their time, because, they are told, their friend Marwood is engaged elsewhere. On Monday morning he was at Usk, in South Wales, despatching the fivefold murderer, Joseph Garcia; on Tuesday he did his duty at Salford; now he is wanted at Huntingdon. In the last two cases the executions were actually put off in consequence of the pressure of his engagements. And that his services are highly appreciated goes without saying. For example, when he left Usk, after hanging the Llangibby murderer, he was escorted to the station by an immense crowd, who cheered him loudly. At the station he held a levée in the waiting-room, and many shook hands with him. A man made a speech stating that Marwood had done his duty, and all were proud of him. Marwood replied that he never before had had such a reception, and hoped he would soon come that way again-an observation which made some of his enthusiastic hearers feel a twinge in the region of the thorax. As usual, the daily papers have failed in their duty as respects Marwood's famous oration; and, that being so, it affords us no small amount of pleasure to furnish our readers with the following exclusive report of the oration :-

I thank you, friends, with all my heart For this ovation grand; I'm loath from you so soon to part-I hate your ropes of sand. Although I'm not in the rope trade

I make of rope much use, or without it, as has been said, For without it, Men oft would play the deuce.

One man deserves more rope than others-That, sirs, my patent plan; It saves one from a heap of bothers, And's better for the man.

I work for England, soon and late, I hurry to and fro, Supporting Queen, supporting State, And giving each their go.

But as the train awaits me there I must my harangue stop; Good-bye, you Welshers, kind and rare— You'd like my patent drop!

CAWS OF THE WEEK,

OWEVER great may be the honour bestowed on the Jackdaw in its own country, it is pleasant to note that afar it serves a useful purpose, as the following extract from the Times will show :-NINETY to 81.—K. has arranged everything, and you will see him there.—JACKDAW.

Vague as these two lines are, we thank the "Thunderer" for so good an advertisement. Had it been Fifteen to 31, we might have assumed that "K" stood for Alderman King, and that the "something" he had arranged had reference to ultimate proceedings in the Council Chamber. The Alderman may not, however, care to waste his time in drawing up ingenious advertisements. Better leave this department to the cleverest man in the Council-Mr. Potts.

A London house has just published "a book for young and old," entitled "Scripture Riddles," in verse, by R. Phillips. "And Samson said unto them, I will now put forth a riddle unto you-and they said unto him, put forth thy riddle, that we may hear it." What next?

VERY fishy. A clergyman who had been fishing, and came home without any spoils of the fluny tribe, told his wife that he had seen but one fish, and that was a pike, which looked at his bait and seemed weighing the chances between catching it and being caught himself. 'The wife responded: "And, of course, he was able to weigh the matter correctly, because he had so many scales." "That fin-ishes me," exclaimed the clergyman, as he dropped into a chair.

Knowing's believing. A courteous old clergyman, being told a very tough story, said, "Since you were an eye-witness, I suppose I must believe you, but I don't think I'd have believed it if I had seen it myself."

Why shouldn't a Bobby be a man of learning? A Birmingham contemporary reports that among the recruits who the other day were soliciting employment as constables was a young fellow who carried about him such a marked air of respectability that Major Bond was induced to put several searching questions to him respecting his parentage and previous occupation. It turned out that the recruit was a young gentleman of a highly respectable and wealthy family, who had received a college education at Cambridge, but who, having married against the wishes of his father, had been cut off with a shilling, and cast upon his own resources. Having studied no profession, and, probably being disgusted with repeated failures in endeavouring to secure a clerk's position, he at last bent his steps towards Birmingham and sought an appointment as constable in the police force. His candidature was approved, and in future Birmingham will have a Cambridge man patrolling her streets at a salary of 22s. or 23sper week. And what for no? Better half a loaf than no bread. Men can't afford to walk on the high stilts of the " proprieties " in these days-The public may not know it, but it is a fact, nevertheless, that in the Police Forces of Manchester and Salford there are many men who once held what the world would consider higher and better positions, and who have received a capital education.

FROM a Provincial point of view the following couplet from an introduction to Richard Broome's Plays in 1653 may not be altogether inappropriate in reference to Our Boys :-

"See the strange twirl of times! When such poor things Outlive the dates of parliaments or kings."

HAPPY, happy England! Why shouldn't we be happy, although men and women are perishing from starvation all round about us? The other day an inquest was held on the bodies of Charlotte and Bessie Rosseau, sisters, who had been found dead in an underground kitchen. They were natives of France, but came many years ago to England, and for some time were successful as milliners. They became, however, reduced in circumstances, and had latterly received relief from the parish. A lodger in the same house, a police-constable of the G Division, named Luke Cobbey, opened the door of the kitchen where they lived, and found Charlotte Rosseau lying on a sofa and her sister Bessie on the floor by the fireside. Both were dead. The room or cellar was blocked with a quantity of household articles, and the atmosphere of the place was most unhealthy. Dr. Yarrow, divisional surgeon of the police, deposed to having made a post-mortem examination of the bodies, by which he ascertained that the two women had for a lengthened period suffered most severely from privation. The cause of death was inhalation of foul air and want. Ah me! What a nice thing civilisation really is!

Passes are useful, whether for the theatre or the railway. Yet our good friends in Yankeedom are coming down on railway passes. The American railway companies, it is said, are about to put a stop to passes, and have first seen the right of the matter by consulting tha Scriptures. In the office of Mr. Sidney W. Beers, the general passenger agent of the New Jersey Midland Railway, the following significant notice appears:-

In those days there were no passes given. Search the Scriptures. Thou shalt not pass—Numbers xx. 18. Suffer not a man to pass—Judges iii. 28. The wicked shall no more pass - Nahum i. 15. None shall ever pass—Isaiah xxxiv. 10.
This generation shall not pass—Mark xiii. 30.
Though they war, yet shall they not pass—Jeremiah xli. 42.
So he paid his fare and went—Jonah i. 3.

"GLADSTONE for Manchester!" Such is the cry being raised in many parts of the City at the present moment. Even many of our Tory friends "An Englishman and a Tory," writing to the are joining in the cry. Examiner, says: "I believe Lord Beaconsfield once said that the voice of Lancashire to-day is the voice of England to-morrow, and there is perhaps much truth in the remark. There is no doubt that Lancashire, like all England, has to an enormous extent been most grossly deceived. Conservatives as a body surely cannot long deny that they have unwittingly made an idol of one of the most subtle and unprincipled characters that ever held the reins of Government. Many Conservatives must acknow-

ledge, though they may differ with Mr. Gladstone in many things, that they have treated an honest Englishman and a thorough patriot, to say the least of it, very badly; and, though it may seem inconsistent on the part of a Tory to make such a suggestion, yet I do think that it would redound to the credit and honour of Manchester if the electors were to invite Mr. Gladstone to consent to be nominated as a representative of the City of Manchester at the next election." We can assure Mr. Maclure and the general body of Conservatives that they will know who is to be Mr. Jacob Bright's colleague quite soon enough.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Believing that many doubts might be removed and much useful instruction communicated under this heading, we have, after careful consideration and momen meditation, made up our minds to comply with the claims of our correspondents in this respect, and, by begging, borrowing, and stealing, to answer any and every question, whether it relates to things on the earth, things above the earth, or things beneath the earth. Here goes:

- F. G."-Accepted.
- "P. L."—Rejected.
 "W. P."—Welcome.
- "P. W."-Certainly.
- "Louise."-We think not.
- -Not up to the mark
- "B. M."-Far above our level.
- emaker."—Stick to your last."
- "J. H."-A month's notice is sufficient,
- "L. M."—You can try the County Court.
 "Widower."—Such a marriage is illegal.

- "S,"—You can sue in the County Court.
 "X,".—We do not know the respective heights.
 "P, A. P."—You must have a pawnbroker's license.
 "Acrobat."—The Mount Cenis tunnel is 7½ miles long.
- "T. T."—Hares may be legally killed all through the year.

 Black Horse."—The person named by you was tried and acquitted.
- "T."—A landlord has no right to detain goods for the rent of lodgings.

 "J. E."—The whole of the rent due may be sued for in the County Court.

 "Electric Light."—You may, if you choose, hand over your gas shares to us.
- "Woman's Suffrage."—Yes; the City Jackdaw has several lady contributors.
 "C. P."—We can give you no information as to the French Exhibition lottery.
- 'James Wright."—The best way is to leave our contemporaries to themselves 'J. Wilson."—To shoot small birds on your own ground you must have a gun li
- "W."—The proper forms for an agreement may be obtained of almost any stationer.

 "J. H."—A deed of gift must be prepared by a lawyer; ha will tell you the necessary forms, &c.
- "X.T."—We think you are liable; in case of dispute the matter can be settled by the County Court.

 "B. R. S."—The deeds may in each case be kept by the owner, or be deposited with a banker or a lawyer.
- V. C."—It is usual for a wife who has obtained a divorce to re-assume the name she bore before marriage.
- "G. Davis."—The sentence was twenty years' penal servitude; but the prisoner was released, and is now dead.
- released, and is now dead.

 "A. B."—Delivery of a summons at the place of residence is enough. We cannot answer the other question.
- answer the other question.

 "R. Davenport."—We are sorry for you. Thousands of working men and clerks are going idle in Manchester and Salford to-day.

 "J. P."—The National Provincial Bank has branches throughout the country; it has no connection with the Bank of England.
- "J. R."—We cannot insert letters recommending particular investments. Such matters must go into our advertising columns.
- "Inquirer."—The Courier and the Evening Mail have the same proprietor, but the editor of the one is not the editor of the other.
- "G. S."—A will must be signed by two witnesses in order to make it valid. Letters of administration may be taken out by the widow or the son.
- of administration may be taken out by the widow or the son.

 "In a Fix."—You say that your sweetheart is invited to spend the Christmas season
 at your parents, in Derbyshire, but, fearing an accident on the railway, declines.
 You ask us what advice you can offer her. We don't understand this sort of
 thing, but perhaps the following rules mayprove of service:—

 1. She should not remain in the house during a thunderstorm, for fear the
 lightning should come down the chimney and strike her.

 2. She should never leave the house during such a storm, as a thunderbolt might
 fall upon her.
- She should never leave the house during such a storm, as a thunderboit might fall upon her.
 She should never live in a house where there is gas, for fear it might explode. She should never use candles in the house, for fear the grease might fall upon the floor and she should slip down and lame herself.
 She should never cross the street, for fear of being knocked down by a run-

- 6. She should never cross the street, for lear or seasons wheel comes off and the away horse.

 6. She should never ride in an omnibus, as sometimes a wheel comes off and the passengers are thrown into the street.

 7. She should never take a country strell, as a mad bull might chase her.

 8. She should never attend a popular preacher, as pickpockets are often found.

- there.

 9. She should never go to Halle's, for fear of an alarm of fire and accompanying perils.

 10. She should never eat a good dinner, as it might interfere with her digestion.

 11. She should never take wine, as it is undoubtedly a mocker, and is too often
- adulterated.

 12. She should never—but no matter !

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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